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AMCONSUL LUANDA

AMEMBASSY LUSAKA

AMEMBASSY MBABANE

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

CINCLANT FOR POLAD

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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

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SUBJECT: PRESS REPORTS SOVIET ARMS SHIPMENTS TO ZAMBIA

REF: LOURENCO MARQUES 026

1. RHODESIAN SUNDAY MAIL OF FEBRUARY 23 REPORTS EAST GERMAN  
SHIP "S.S. VOLGA" OFFLOADED SHIPMENT OF RUSSIAN ARMS AND  
AMMUNITION AT NACALA THIS WEEKEND FOR ZAMBIAN ARMY. SHIPMENT  
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REPORTEDLY INCLUDES KALASHNIKOV SEMI-AUTOMATIC RIFLES,

ROCKETS, AND GRENADES. ARTICLE ALLEGES THAT BULK OF ARMS SHIPHENT ON "AKADEMIC SHIMANSKY" OFFLOADED IN BEIRA (SEE REFTTEL) ON JANUARY 5 ALSO WENT TO ZAMBIA ARMY AND ONLY LIMITED AMOUNT WENT TO FRELIMO. ARTICLE CONCLUDES LATEST SHIPMENT "CONFIRMS REPORTS FROM LUSAKA THAT ZAMBIAN ARMED FORCES ARE EXCHANGING THEIR NATO-TYPE WEAPONS FOR COMMUNIST-MANUFACTURED EQUIPMENT".

2. FOR LUSAKA AND MOSCOW: WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENT ON ABOVE REPORT. UNTIL NOW, WE HAD ASSUMED THESE SOVIET ARMS WERE SOLELY FOR FRELIMO. WE ALSO WONDER WHETHER ARMS GOING TO ZAMBIA ARE REALLY FOR ZAMBIAN ARMY OR FOR RHODESIAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS.  
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